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SUBJECT: CANADIAN FOREIGN MINISTER'S VISIT TO POLAND

1. SUMMARY. CANADIAN EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER

ALLAN MACEACHEN VISITED POLAND SEPTEMBER 29 TO

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OCOTBER4, THE FIRST VISIT BY A CANADIAN EXTERNAL

AFFAIRS MINISTER SINCE THAT OF PAUL MARTIN IN THE MID-1960'S. THE POLES VIEW THE VISIT AS HAVING OPENED THE WAY TO EXPANSION OF FORMAL CONTACTS AND FURTHER INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF THEIR TIES WITH CANADA. AN EVENTUAL VISIT BY PREMIER TRUDEAU WAS INFORMALLY SUGGESTED BY THE POLES. END SUMMARY.

2. MACEACHEN WAS RECEIVED BY THE ENTIRE TOP LEADERSHIP, INCLUDING FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK, AND HE HELD EXTENSIVE TALKS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER OLSZOWSKI AND WITH POLISH FOREIGN TRADE MINISTRY OFFICIALS. AS THE DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE THROUGH FBIS, WE ARE REPORTING BELOW THE MOST SIGNIFICANT POINTS OF A BRIEFING PROVIDED BY CANADIAN EMBASSY OFFICERS ON OCTOBER 8.

3. DISCUSSIONS FOCUSSED MAINLY ON ECONOMICS, WITH THE POLES PRESSING VERY HARD ON FISHING RIGHTS. ALTHOUGH THEY SOUGHT EARLY TALKS ON THE CONCLUSION OF A WEST COAST FISHERIES AGREEMENT, THE CANADIANS AGREED ONLY IN PRINCIPLE, AND NO SPECIFIC DATES WERE SET.

4. THE CANADIANS DID AGREE TO BEGIN TALKS ON AN AIR AGREEMENT ON DECEMBER 1. THE POLES ESPECIALLY WANT LANDING RIGHTS IN TORONTO BUT MENTIONED OTHER CITIES TOO. THE CANADIANS BELIEVE THE GOP WOULD LIKE TO SUPPLEMENT LOT'S US ITINERARY WITH STOPS IN CANADA. (COMMENT: THE POLES MAY ALSO HOPE, AT LEAST TEMPORARILY, TO SUBSTITUTE LANDINGS IN CANADA FOR THE RIGHTS SO FAR DENIED THEM IN CHICAGO. END COMMENT).

5. THE CANADIANS AGREED TO A CREDIT EXTENSION BY THE EXPORT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AMOUNTING TO 500 MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE KWKDZYN CELLULOSE PLANT. OF THIS, 50 MILLION IS EARMARKED FOR A CONTRACT WITH A CANADIAN CONSULTATION FIRM; THE REST WILL GO FOR THE PURCHASE OF CANADIAN MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT.

6. WHILE AGREEING TO CONSIDER THE QUESTION OF SETTING CONFIDENTIAL

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UP A MIXED TRADE COMMISSION, THE CANADIANS WERE RELUCTANT TO COMMIT THEMSELVES TO A FORMAL STRUCTURE FOR WHICH THEY SEE NO SPECIAL NEED. HOWEVER, EMBASSY OFFICERS NOTED THAT A POLISH OFFICIAL HAD REMARKED PRIVATELY THAT THE MERE EXISTENCE OF SUCH A STRUCTURE AND THE COMMITMENT INVOLVED IN KEEPING IT GOING, COULD ASSIST THE TRADE MINISTRY AND OTHERS IN ADVOCATING THEIR POSITIONS WITHIN THE GOP'S INNER COUNSELS.

7. THE TALKS COVERED A BROAD RANGE OF INTERNATIONAL QUESTIONS, BEGINNING WITH CSCE IMPLEMENTATION. THE POLES STRESSED THAT THEY INTEND TO COORDINATE IMPLEMENTATION QUESTIONS WITH THEIR SOCIALIST PARTNERS BEFORE ADDRESSING SPECIFIC ISSUES WITH OTHER COUNTRIES. THEY ALSO MADE THE POINT THAT THEY REGARD THEIR RELATIONS WITH SOME COUNTRIES AS ALREADY BEYOND THE MINIMUM STANDARDS SET BY THE FINAL ACT AND THAT "IMPLEMENTATION" OF THESE STANDARDS WOULD IMPLY "REGRESSIONS" IN RELATIONS WITH SUCH COUNTRIES, SOMETHING THEY WILL NATURALLY AVOID. FINALLY, THEY STRESSED RECIPROCITY, WITH FOREIGN MINISTER OLSZOWSKI REMARKING AT ONE POINT THAT IS IS NOT A QUESTION OF HOW POLAND WILL IMPLEMENT BASKET III BUT HOW THE VARIOUS PARTIES "TOGETHER" WOULD DO SO.

8. THE POLES RAISED THE RECENT FRG-POLISH AGREEMENT IN A DISCUSSION OF FAMILY REUNIFICATION, STATING FRANKLY THAT THEY COULD DO NOTHING WITH OTHER COUNTRIES ON THIS MATTER UNTIL THEIR PROBLEM WITH THE FRG IS RESOLVED. HOWEVER, THEY EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO DISCUSS CASES ON AN AD-HOC BASIS, AND THE CANADIANS PROMISED TO SUBMIT A LIST OF DIVIDED FAMILIES.

9. ON THE MIDDLE EAST, OLSZOWSKI SURPRISED THE CANADIANS BY POINTEDLY DOWNPLAYING THE ROLE OF "PEACEMAKING" MIDDLE-SIZED POWERS. HE STRESSED THAT THE QUESTION CAN ONLY BE SETTLED BY THE US AND SOVIET UNION IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PARTIES DIRECTLY CONCERNED. THE EMBASSY OFFICERS OPINED THAT OLSZOWSKI HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO DISCOURAGE ANY POTENTIAL CANADIAN INVOLVEMENT BY SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER GROMYKO DURING

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THEIR RECENT MEETING AT THE UNGA.

10. COMMENT: THE CANADIANS EXPRESSED FULL SATISFACTION WITH THE VISIT. WHILE THEY FOUND THE POLISH ATTITUDE SOMEWHAT DEFENSIVE ON CSCE IMPLEMENTATION, THEY OBSERVED THAT THE POLES WERE EXTREMELY CONVINCING IN THEIR ADVOCACY OF DETENTE AND OF THE IMPORTANCE NOW OF PROGRESS IN THE AREA OF MILITARY DETENTE. THE CANADIANS ALSO SEEMED PLEASED WITH PROSPECTS FOR IMPROVED ECONOMIC RELATIONS, BUT INDICATED RELUCTANCE TO MOVE AS QUICKLY AS THE POLES APPARENTLY DESIRE.  
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